Payment of Allowances to the Court Witnesses in Courts of Dharwar

*Q.—413. Sri B. A. DESAI (Kalghatgi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) whether it is a fact, that the Allowances (batta) to Court witnesses are not paid in some of the Judicial Courts at Dharwar ;

(b) if so, since how many days ;

(c) the reasons for the nonpayment ?

A.—Sri B. D. JATTI (Chief Minister).—

(a) Batta to Witnesses is being paid in all the Courts at Dharwar. But in the following Courts Batta is not being paid on the very day the witnesses attended the Courts.

(i) In the Court of the J.M.F.C. First Court, Dharwar ;

(ii) In the Court of the J.M.F.C. Second Court, Dharwar ; and

(iii) In the Court of the J.M.F.C. Third Court, Hubli.

In the Court of the J.M.F.C. First Court, Dharwar, witnesses are not paid on the very day of attending the Court but they are paid by M.O. remittance.

In all the other Courts there are no such complaints.

(b) (1) Since 16-6-59 in the Courtof the J.M.F.C. First Court, Dharwar ;

(2) Since 24-7-1959 in the Court of the J.M.F.C. Second Court, Dharwar ; &

(3) Since 27-9-1959 in the Court of the J.M.F.C. Third Court, Hubli.

(c) The reason for the non-payment of batta to witnesses on the very day they attend the Courts is due to the non-availability of sufficient cash in the Court to meet the payments. The question of increasing the permanent advance of the Courts is under consideration.

Close down of Gokak Mills Primary Schools

*Q.—415. Sri N. A. KARLINGANNAVAR (Gokak I).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether it has come to their notice that the Management of the Gokak Mills have taken over the edministration of Primary Schools from the Local School Board and are running the same themselves at Gokak Falls having a population of ten thousand ;

(b) the steps taken by them to introduce syllabus in the above schools as the one in other schools ;

(c) whether they are aware of the inconvenience to which more than two hundred children are put on account of refusal of the above Management to admit them to the first year class in these schools ;

(d) the arrangements made by them to impart education to children in view of the fact that the Management of the above Mills have intimated to the Government their decision to close down such schools ?

A.—Sri ANNA RAO GANAMUKHI (Minister for Education).—

(a) The Primary School at the Gokak Falls was opened by the Management of the Gokak Mills in 1924 and is being run by them on grant-in-aid basis.

(b) The School follows the syllabus prescribed by the Department of Education.

(c) The Management have been requested to accommodate more number or pupils by making suitable adjustments.

(d) The question of opening a Boards' Primary School in place of the Mill' Private primary School proposed to be closed, is under the active consideration of the District School Board, Belgaum, under whose jurisdiction the area falls.